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SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE STATEMENT
ON STAFFDEL VISIT

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT ISSUED DECEMBER 6 BY CHAIRMAN
CHOI YONG-HUI OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF ROK NATIONAL
ASSEMBLY: (BEGIN TEXT) THE COMMITTEE SUPPORTS DIPLOMATIC
EFFORTS TO SETTLE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE U.S. AND ROK SUCH
AS THE PAK TONG-SON CASE, AND THE COMMITTEE IS PREPARED TO
PROVIDE FULL COOPERATION. HOWEVER, ANY ACT WHICH INTERFERES
WITH DOMESTIC POLITICAL AFFAIRS OR ANY ACT INFRINGING ON OUR
SOVEREIGNTY MUST NOT BE TOLERATED UNDER ANY JUSTIFICATION.
ACCORDING TO REPORTS MR. FRASER OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
IS TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION IN KOREA AGAINST KOREANS. THIS
SHOULD NEVER BE PERMITTED IN VIEW OF THE AFORESAID PRINCIPLES.
WE EXPRESS OUR DEEPEST CONCERN THAT SUCH AN ACT MIGHT SERIOUSLY
HARM FRIENDLY TIES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. (END TEXT).

2. IN ISSUING STATEMENT CHAIRMAN CHOE STATED THAT IT REPRESENTED
"AGREED VIEWS" OF THE COMMITTEE, AND EARLY PRESS AND RADIO REPORTS
FOLLOWED THAT LINE. HOWEVER, DECEMBER 7 MORNING PAPERS REPORT THAT
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AND HAN YONG-SU PROTESTED, SAYING THEY HAD GIVEN THEIR CONSENT
TO THE STATEMENT ONLY AS AN EXPRESSION OF CHOI'S PRIVATE VIEWS,
AND THEY OBJECTED TO THE PHRASE "AGREED VIEWS."

3. COMMENT. HAN HAD CALLED FOR MODERATING EMOTIONS EXPRESSED
OVER VISIT, SAYING THAT IF DELEGATION COMING

IN CONNECTION WITH LEGISLATIVE WORK ON ASSISTANCE THEY
SHOULD RECEIVE APPROPRIATE COOPERATION; HE IS ONLY ASSEMBLY-
MAN SO FAR TO GIVE EVEN SUCH QUALIFIED APPROVAL. O, AS
NOTED REFTEL, HAD QUESTIONED ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO
DELEGATION.
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